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Marcus Garvy

Marcus Mosiah Garvey Jr. (1887–1940) was a prominent Jamaican political activist and a key figure in the promotion of the Pan-Africanism movement. He founded the Universal Negro Improvement Association and African Communities League (UNIA-ACL), often simply referred to as UNIA, through which he became a vocal advocate for the social, political, and economic freedom of black people. Garvey's philosophy, known as Garveyism, encouraged African diaspora to be proud of their race and return to their ancestral homeland. Despite never visiting Africa, he was named the Provisional President of Africa by his followers. His influence extended beyond Jamaica and the United States, inspiring many future civil rights activists. Garvey's legacy is marked by his efforts to uplift the African race and establish a sense of pride and self-worth among people of African descent worldwide.